



IDA PUBLIC LIBRARY 2024 SUMMER READING PROGRAM GUIDE

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JUNE
10th-14th

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AUG 17TH
10:30 AM

**SUMMER READING
FINALE GUIDED HIKE**

↘ at Spencer Park in Belvidere Illinois

**THANK YOU TO THE FRIENDS OF IDA FOR
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MONDAY - THURSDAY 10-8PM
FRIDAY - SATURDAY 10-5PM



2024 SUMMER READING PROGRAM

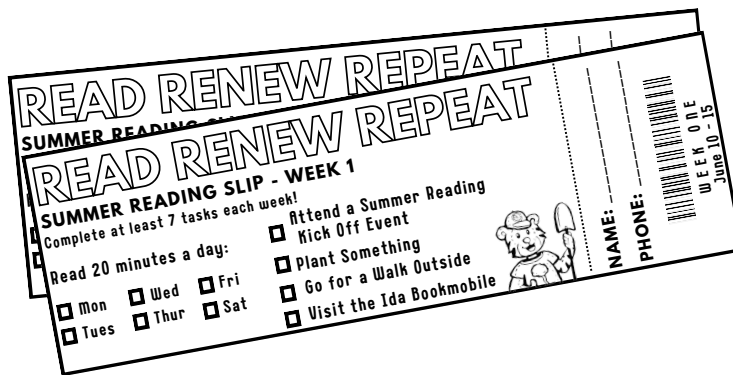
SUMMER READING PROGRAM

↘ JUNE 17TH - AUGUST 17TH

Come to the library during our Summer Reading Kickoff Week (June 10th - June 14th) and pick up your Summer Reading Packet!

Complete at least 7 of the challenges on the weekly Summer Reading Program slips then return it to the library each week for 8 weeks. Completed slips are your weekly entry into the prize raffle option of your choosing. When you turn in the weekly challenge slip, you will also receive the brag tag for that week! All ages are welcome!

Finish the Summer Reading Program & join us for our Finishers Hike on Saturday, August 17th at 10:30am in Spencer Park! Make sure all slips are turned in by August 12th, prize winners will be pulled on August 13th!



SUMMER READING KICKOFF WEEK

JUNE 10TH - JUNE 14TH AT IDA PUBLIC LIBRARY

COLD BLOODED REPTILE FAIR

↘ MONDAY, JUNE 10TH - 11:00 - 3pm

Join Cold Blooded Reptiles from McHenry as we kick off summer reading with a Reptile Fair Open House! Come visit with the reptile experts and get the chance to view/touch 12-15 reptile species! Arrive at your convenience between 11 am and 3 pm. No registration needed!



EXPLORING MAMMALS WITH THE BCCD

↘ TUESDAY, JUNE 11TH - 10:30am -12:30pm

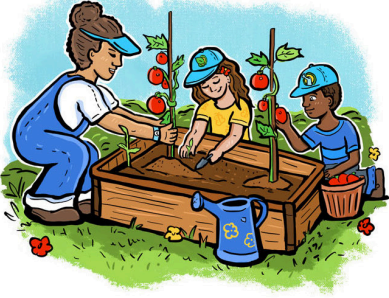
Stop by the lower level of the library to explore Mammal Stations with the Boone County Conservation District! There is no registration. Just drop by!



GARDEN DAY

↘ WEDNESDAY, JUNE 12TH - 1pm - 3pm

Get ready to garden! We will have different gardening activity stations in our meeting room as well as tours of our Community Garden outside with Master Gardener Sandie!



HOO HAVEN PELICAN PROGRAM

↘ WEDNESDAY, JUNE 12TH - 6pm

We are excited to have Hoo Haven back at the library - this time with a Pelican Program! Come see a real-life pelican, and other animals, up close and learn about them with us! **Registration is required.**



TOUCH A TRUCK

↘ THURSDAY, JUNE 13TH - 11am - 1pm

Stop by the library from 11am - 1pm for a Touch A Truck event! Come see all of the cool vehicles and pick up your Summer Reading Program packet while you are here! No registration required!

TAKE HOME KIT & BAG PICK UP

↘ FRIDAY, JUNE 14TH - 10am - 5pm

Stop into the library today for your last chance to pick up your Summer Reading Program bag and also receive a take home activity!



SUMMER READING KICK OFF WEEK

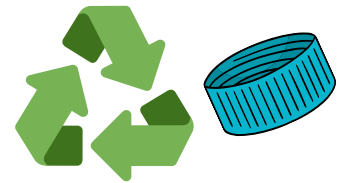
MAKER MONDAYS

↘ **2nd & 4th Mondays at 2-3:30pm (Excluding July 22)**



Join us in the meeting room as we make crafts from recycled materials! You can follow along with one of the example crafts presented or make your own! Materials will be provided, but feel free to bring along items you'd like to upcycle! Due to the nature of the crafting materials, we ask that makers be of grade school age. No registration required - just drop in on the 2nd and 4th Mondays from June 24- Aug 12th with one special Monday below*

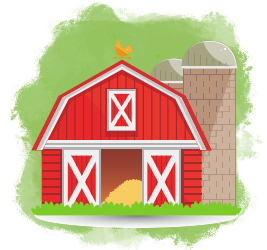
SPECIAL MAKER MONDAY: CHOPPED EDITION!



↘ **Monday, July 22nd from 2 - 3:30pm**

Join us for a "Chopped"-style crafting program but with a twist! Do you have what it takes to create a masterpiece using only crafting supplies from a mystery basket? **Registration is required.** Space is limited.

LUCKY GUYS FARM STORYTIME



↘ **Tuesday, June 25th at 10:30am**

Thursday, July 25th at 6:30pm

We are excited to have Lucky Guys Farm with us for two very special storytimes! Farmer T or Farmer Jase will be sharing a story with us as well as bringing a special animal friend along! Both storytimes will feature different books and different animals at Ida Public Library out on the lawn.



HERITAGE DAYS

↘ **Saturday, June 29th from 10 - 2pm**

Ida Public Library will be at the Boone County Museum with Clifford the Big Red Dog! Stop in for some give aways and a picture with Clifford!

BE A CONSERVATION SUPERHERO!

↘ **Monday, July 29th , at 6pm**

We are excited to have the Boone County Conservation District here to teach families how to be conservation superheroes!



BOARD GAME NIGHT

↘ Thursday, June 6th & August 1st 6-8pm

Gather up your family and friends and beat the heat this summer with our drop in Board Game Nights! No registration is required so drop in and play the wide variety of board or card games here at the library.



READ RENEW REPEAT BINGO

↘ Monday, July 8th at 6:00pm OR
Tuesday, July 9th at 12:30pm

BINGO! Register to play some Read, Renew, Repeat BINGO with us! This event is perfect for the whole family equipped with fun prizes!

Registration Required.



PUZZLE PALOOZA

↘ July 13th, Puzzle Swap 10:30AM-3:30pm &
Puzzle Competition 1-3pm

Come join us for Puzzle Palooza! This day will be packed with all things puzzles! There will be a puzzle swap, some relaxing puzzle time and even a puzzle competition! So grab your family and friends and join us for some puzzle fun!

Pop in and check out our Puzzle Swap from 10:30-3:30PM! During this time you can bring in a gently used puzzle & swap it out for another one.

Then starting at 1PM we will have our first ever Puzzle Competition here at the library! We will have four teams of four compete to see who can put together a 500 piece puzzle the fastest. The team who is the closest to finishing wins! **Registration is required.** Space is limited.

CHECK OUT THE NEW PERMANENT STORYWALK© ALL SUMMER LONG!

↘ At Belvidere Park near the Baltic Mill!



FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY



WONDERFUL WORMS

↘ **Friday, July 12 at 11am**

Join Boone County Extension to learn about worms and why they are so important to the environment. We will look at worms up close, learn fun worm facts, and discover what makes them beneficial for gardening. This hands-on discovery program is open to families. **Registration Required.**

UNPLUG ILLINOIS

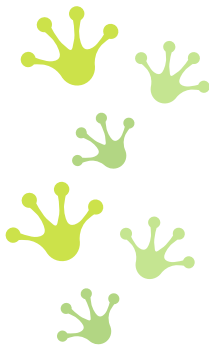
↘ **July 13th from 2-8pm**

Unplug from electronics and get outside with us! We will be joining the Belvidere Park District for Unplug Illinois Day in Belvidere Park. Enjoy some time outside with activities on the lawn, the reveal of the new permanent StoryWalk, a Touch A Truck, and so much more! Visit www.belviderepark.org for more information.



FROG LADY PRESENTATION

↘ **Thursday July 18th at 6pm**



Explore the fascinating world of reptiles and amphibians in a one-of-a-kind herpetology program for all ages! Register to enjoy learning about animals from around the world while seeing them right up close. Learn the fascinating natural history of each animal and hear about each of their personal lives and quirks. The best is saved for last, because after the presentation many of the animals can be touched and even held! **Registration Required.**

MOVIE SHOWINGS

↘ **The Lorax on July 16th at 5pm**

Kung Fu Panda 4 on August 1st at 2pm

Stop in to enjoy some free family movie showings! Be sure to follow us on social media for pop up movie showings throughout the summer!



TINY TALES & OPEN PLAY

↘ **Thursdays at 10:30am**

On the 1st & 3rd Thursday of the month, join us for Open Play and on the 2nd & 4th Thursday, for Tiny Tales! Designed for babies, toddlers and their caregiver(s) this is an opportunity for Ida's tiniest readers to socialize and engage in early literacy!



STORY SPROUTS

↘ **Wednesdays at 10:30am**



Join us on Wednesday mornings on the lower level in the meeting room for Story Sprouts! This weekly program is perfect for your preschool-aged reader to engage in stories, activities, and crafts!

STEAM SQUAD

↘ **1st Tuesday of the Month at 3:30pm**

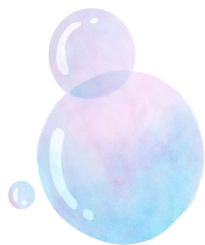
Come join us for our once a month STEAM club program! The program is geared for preschoolers to learn all about how the world works! Each month we will be discussing an element of STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art & Mathematics) and doing activities along with it! **Registration is required.**



BUBBLES & BUDDIES

↘ **3rd Tuesday of the Month from 10:30-12pm**

Stop by & visit us on the lawn for bubbles, outdoor games, chalk and time to play with friends! All ages welcome! Feel free to bring a blanket or lawn chairs!



FATHER'S DAY CRAFT

↘ **Thursday, June 13th 6-7pm**

Come join us for a special Father's Day program! We will be making picture holder for that extra special Dad or father figure in your life! **Registration is required.** Space is limited.

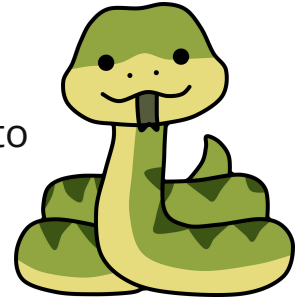


YOUTH PROGRAMS

MEET OUR LIL BUDDY STORYTIME

↘ June 17th at 10:30am

We are excited to have “adopted” Lil’Buddy the Snake from the Boone County Conservation District! Stop in to meet and learn about our Lil Critter with the Boone County Conservation District!



SELF DEFENSE FOR KIDS

↘ Tuesday, July 9th from 3:30 - 5pm

We are excited to bring Jimmie back from Rockford S.A.C to do a Self Defense program for youth ages 5 - 11. This age appropriate, interactive self defense program for kids is designed to help them learn how to respond appropriately to different types of situations with confidence. Wear comfortable clothes and shoes. **Registration is Required.** Space is limited.



LITTLE GARDENERS

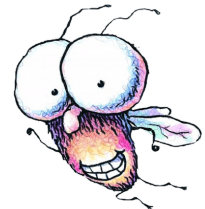
↘ Friday, July 19th at 10:30am

Let’s get outside! Stop by the lawn near our community garden with your toddlers and preschoolers as we read a gardening story and play in the dirt! Prepare to get a little messy!

FLY GUY PRESENTS: RECYCLING AND GARBAGE!

↘ Tuesday, July 30th at 6pm

Learn all about garbage and recycling with Fly Guy! We will be reading a story, playing Fly Guy BINGO and making your very own Fly Guy out of recycled materials. You will even get a chance to take pictures with Fly Guy himself! **Registration is required.**



JOURNAL PALOOZA

↘ Monday, August 5th from 12 - 2pm

Come decorate and personalize a journal/notebook as a fun way to kick off your school year! One notebook and decorating supplies will be provided but you are welcome to bring your own notebook to decorate as well!



TWEEN GRAPHIC NOVEL BOOK CLUB

↘ 4th Thursday of the Month at 4pm

Tweens, we have a special book club just for you! Join us once a month for a Tween Graphic Novel Book Club! Each month we will read the same graphic novel on our own. We will then meet up at the library to discuss the graphic novel and do an activity! Graphic novels will be available at the lower level circulation desk.

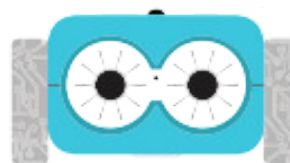


CODING CORNER

↘ 1st & 3rd Wednesdays - 3:30-4:45pm

Coding Corner with robots! Learn about coding, engage in technology, and have fun in this coding club.

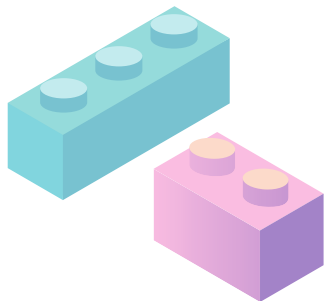
Registration is required, space is limited.



BUILDER'S CLUB

↘ 2nd Wednesday at 3:30pm

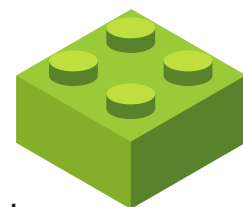
Join Ida's Builder's Club where you can show off your creativity by building with LEGOs and Keva Planks! We will have different challenges, themes, and contests along the way in this once a month Builders Club!



FREE BUILD FRIDAYS

↘ Friday, June 28th 2-4pm & Friday, July 26th 2-4 pm

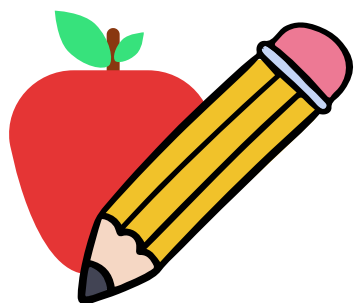
Come build with us! We will be having an open build time for youth at the library! Come build whatever you'd like LEGO bricks and Keva planks! No registration required. All materials are provided!

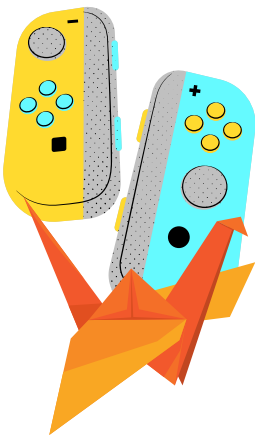


CRUISE INTO KINDERGARTEN

↘ Friday, August 16th at 10:30

Heading to Kindergarten this year? Let us help with this Kindergarten 101! We will be reading a story, stretching our fine motor skills, practicing school skills and doing a craft! **Registration is required**. Space is limited.





TEEN HANGOUT

↘ June 27th & July 24th at 2pm

Hey Teens! We have created a time and space for you to hangout, connect with others, play games, do some crafts, or read a book! Drop in anytime during Teen Hangout hours, no registration required! This program is designated for individuals ages 6th grade & up.

AUGMENTED CARD ART

↘ July 24th at 2pm

Join us for Augmented Card Art! Middle school and high school teens are invited to come recycle and upcycle playing cards with us. Materials will be provided but you are also welcome to bring your own! **Registration is Required.**



SELF DEFENSE FOR TEENS

↘ July 15th from 3:30-5pm

We are excited to bring Jimmie back from Rockford S.A.C to do a Self Defense program for tweens and teens ages 12 - 17. This age appropriate, interactive self-defense program is designed to help individuals learn how to respond appropriately to different types of situations with confidence. Wear comfortable clothes and shoes. **Registration is required.** Space is limited.

FREE RESOURCES FOR TEENS

College preparation, career readiness, adult core skills, and more available on our website!

Visit idapubliclibrary.org, click on Resources (without a library card) and select EBSCO Learning Express to access FREE practice tests, tutorials, ebooks, and more! *Set up an account with your email address to track your progress but no library card is needed.

RESOURCES AT HOME



Explore thousands of audiobooks, ebooks, e-comics, and streaming movies FREE with your Ida Public Library card! Hoopla and Libby both have apps that are perfect for a tablet or mobile device! Download the app, enter your library card information and you are set!

BYOB CLUB

↘ **1st Mondays at 3pm**

Read whatever you like in this fun, social club. Then, join us every month on the first Monday at 3 pm to discuss your favorite reads. It's a great way to build your reading list! No registration required, just drop in.



MYSTERY BOOK CLUB

↘ **4th Mondays at 10:30am**

Do you love a good mystery? If so, come and join us for our Ida's Mystery book club. Each month we will meet to discuss a chosen book and give our thoughts and opinions on each book. **Register online** to save your spot and find out about our next book.

TRUE CRIME BOOK CLUB

↘ **3rd Thursday of the Month at 6pm**

Are you a True Crime junkie? If so, join our book club! Every month we will get together to discuss a True Crime book & share our thoughts on the case! Books will be available to check out at the lower level circulation desk.



RECYCLED ART FOR ADULTS

↘ **4th Wednesday of the Month at 6 pm**

Are you an artist? Do you like to create new and exciting projects while protecting the environment? If so, come and join us for our new monthly program called Recycled Art. Each month we will be creating new and fun crafts from recycled materials. All are welcome. **Registration is recommended.**

Visit our social media or give us a call to see what this month's project will be!



TEA GARDEN WITH U OF I EXTENSION

↘ Wednesday, June 5 at 6 pm

The tradition of making and taking tea in the garden is steeped in garden history. Today tea gardens also provide enchanting outdoor spaces that are soothing, productive, sustainable, and lovely to visit. Learn about different types of tea gardens and the tea garden design components that make these great spaces to enjoy tea. Various plants used to make tea will also be covered. This presentation will be offered by Master Gardener, Jennifer Crider. **Registration Required.**



PRESERVING HERBS WITH U OF I EXTENSION

↘ Tuesday, August 13th at 6pm

Seasoning is the spice of life. Let's preserve our home-grown herbs. Join Mino Hagshenas, Boone County Master Gardeners, as she shares how to grow, harvest, and preserve your herbs so that they can be enjoyed throughout the season. **Registration Required.**

SELF DEFENSE CLASS FOR ADULTS

↘ Saturday, July 20th 11-12:30

We are excited to bring Jimmie back from Rockford S.A.C to do a Self Defense program for adults. This program will help provide adults with confidence in effective self-defense techniques. Be sure to wear comfortable clothes and shoes. **Registration is required.** Space is limited.

DID YOU KNOW?



We have binoculars and telescopes available for check out to adults!

Check for availability by giving us a call or stopping in the upper level of the library!



IDA PUBLIC LIBRARY BOOKMOBILE

SCHOOL IS OUT BUT THE BOOKMOBILE WILL STILL BE RUNNING!

The Ida Public Library's Bookmobile is an on-the-go extension of the library! Stop by to check out materials and check off one of your summer reading challenges for our Summer Reading Program!

You can also return items from the library to the Bookmobile and visa-versa! Don't have a library card? No problem. They can get you one right there on the bus!



AVAILABLE ON THE BOOKMOBILE:

- Adult & Young Adult Books
- Playaways
- Teen & Youth Books
- DVDs
- Memory Care Books

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Be sure to follow the Ida Bookmobile on Facebook or visit our website for the most up-to-date calendar and locations!
Anytime you see them out, they are open!



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ONGOING SERVICES

FINDING YOUR PAST

Looking for your Belvidere/Boone County ancestors and don't know where to start? Wondering who lived in your house once upon a time? Let our local history department help you Find Your Past. Complete a request form on our website or stop by the library for more information.

DIAL A STORY

Ida Public Library has Dial a Story! Call 815-668-0668 and select the story you would like to hear from the menu. Anytime. Anywhere.

WE DO LICENSE PLATE STICKER RENEWALS!

You can renew your Illinois License Plate sticker right here in our library during our normal business hours. Read a book or magazine, browse, or sit and relax in the quiet while you wait! There will be an additional fee of \$9.50 applied. A portion of this fee will go to support the library.



NOTARY SERVICES

We offer notary service by appointment. There is a fee of \$3 for the first page, and \$1 per additional page. Please call the library to schedule an appointment. Valid photo ID is required.

BLESSING BOX

Ida Public Library has a blessing box located in front of the building, off of North State Street. If you are in need of toiletries or non-perishable food items, you are welcome to visit it. If you would like to donate to it, you are welcome to do that also!

COMMUNITY GARDEN

Located east of the library parking lot, the community garden is a lovely spot to sit and enjoy the quiet. The Library gardeners grow a variety of vegetable and herbs all autumn long that you are welcome to pick and eat. Sponsored by the Boone County Gardeners Club, and the Boone County Extension Office.

ONGOING SERVICES



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Explore More Illinois allows you to receive discounts to different events, museums, etc. with your library card! Find Explore More IL on our website or at bit.ly/3SS8LN9 and select Ida Public Library.

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LIBRARY BOARD MEETINGS

6PM - FOURTH TUESDAY

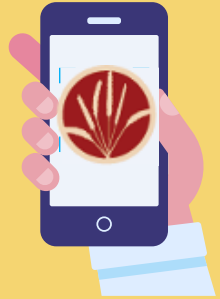
Meetings are open to the public. If you would like to make a comment, please contact the library director by calling the library or emailing mindyl@idapubliclibrary.org.

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LIBRARY CLOSURES

We will be closed on Wednesday, June 19th and Thursday, July 4th. We will close early, at 2pm, on Saturday, June 29th for a town event. We may open late, or have unexpected closures on select dates, for staff trainings or inclement weather. Please see our Facebook page or call for upcoming closures and current hours.

BOOK DONATIONS

We are accepting book donations for our Friends Booksale! Book donations can be brought to the lower level of the library.

WORLDCAT

Ida Public Library is a member of the World Cat Library.

ACCOMMODATIONS

Any person needing an accommodation for a disability in order to access the benefits of the library's services, programs, or activities under the Americans with Disabilities Act should contact the library staff. Any person needing an accommodation for a disability in order to attend a meeting at the library should contact the library by telephone or in writing, no less than five (5) working days prior to the meeting

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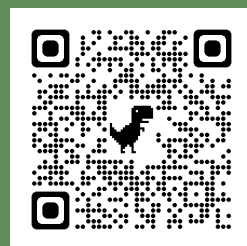
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